
Grant County's Older Population

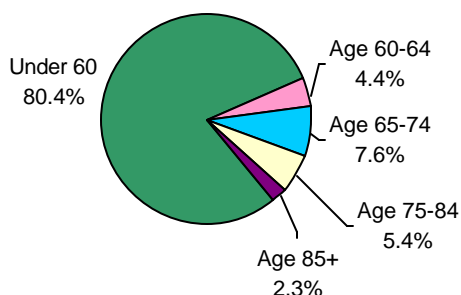
A summary of data from the U.S. Census, 2000

Population:

The proportion of people age 65 and older in Grant County is higher than that of the state as a whole (15.3% versus 13.1%). The rate of growth in the older population since 1990 has been slower in this county than in the state as a whole (4.4% versus 7.9%). In all, 7,585 people in this county are age 65 or older, and 1,135 of these are age 85 or older. Grant County's average (or median) age is 35.9 years, compared to a statewide median of 36.0 years.

Grant County: Population and Change Since 1990						
	2000 Census		1990 Census		Change: 1990-2000	
	Number	% of Total	Number	% of Total	Number	% Change
Total, All Ages	49,597		49,264		333	0.7%
Persons 60 and over	9,745	19.6%	9,386	19.1%	359	3.8%
Persons 65 and over	7,585	15.3%	7,264	14.7%	321	4.4%
Persons 85 and over	1,135	2.3%	916	1.9%	219	23.9%

Age Groups, 2000: Percent of Grant County Population in Each Group



Race:

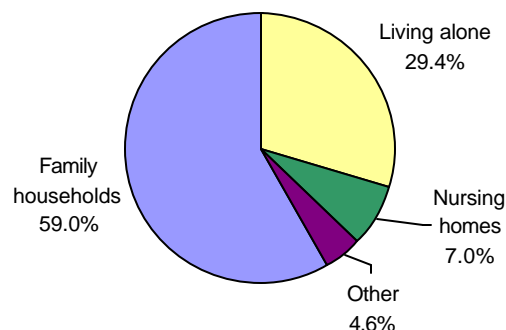
A large majority (99.7%) of Grant County's 65 and over population is white. On average, the county's minority groups are younger than whites. Grant County African Americans have a median age of 25.8 years, and the median age of Hispanics/Latinos here is 21.8 years. Whites, in contrast, average 36.3 years.

Living Arrangements:

Of the 18,465 households in Grant County, 5,019 include at least one person age 65 or older (27.2% of all households). A total of 4,766 housing units in the county have a "household head" aged 65 or older, and 77.3% of these are owner occupied (the rest are rented).

A majority (59.0%) of the older population lives in "family households" containing at least two people related by blood or marriage, but another 29.4% of people 65 or older live alone. Of those older people in family households, 2.8% are living in the home of one of their children. A total of 531 people age 65 and older live in Grant County nursing homes (7.0% of all those in this age group). A very small number of the county's older residents live in nonfamily households or in other institutions.

Living Arrangements of Grant County Residents Age 65+



SOURCE: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000, Summary File 1.

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